MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know whether there was any undertaking on the part of this Government as to the date of completion of the ærodrome with the Government of India or the Government of Cochin?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Government are participating in the air services. It is part of the Government's own function.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know whether there was a stipulation as to the date regarding the completion of the work?

PRESIDENT: Order, order. As part of the negotiations that took place between the three Governments and the Tata Company, it was decided that the air service should be opened from the 1st October.

Trivandrum Aerodrome.

5. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the estimated amount and the expenditure so far of the Trivandrum Aerodrome; and

(*b*) how far the work has progressed?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) 1. Approximately Rs. 12 lakhs excluding land acquisition charges.

2. Rs. 4·56 lakhs.

(*b*) One runway has been completely metalled. Another runway has been metalled for half its length and a third has been metalled for ¼ of its length.

Construction of the Aerodrome at Trivandrum.

6. *MR. CHAZHIKKATTU JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Thodupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount of the first estimate for the construction of the Aerodrome at Trivandrum; and

(*b*) the expenditure incurred till the 15th of Meenom 1121?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN (*a*) Rs. 6 lakhs for a small aerodrome.

(*b*) Rs. 95,612.

MR. CHAZHIKKATTU JOSEPH: ഏറോഡ്രോം പണിയുന്നതിലേക്ക് ഫസ്റ്റ് എസ്റ്റിമേറ്റ് തുകയും കൊള്ളിച്ചിട്ടില്ലാതിരുന്ന സ്ഥിതിക്ക് ഇതിലേക്കുള്ള പണം എവിടെനിന്ന് എടുക്കുവാനാണ് ഗവണ്മെന്റ് ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നതെന്ന് പറയാമോ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Post-war reconstruction.

Aerodrome at Trivandrum.

7. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the estimated cost of the construction of the Aerodrome at Trivandrum; and

(*b*) the time within which the work is to be completed?

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